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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

- 1-2 (canceled)
- 3. (herein amended) The A method according to claim 1, for controlling a transmission control protocol window size in an asynchronous transfer mode network by using an explicit rate value in a resource management cell of a network during data transmission from a transmitting side ATM terminal to a receiving side ATM terminal, wherein the window size is computed by the Expression wherein,

window size = MIN [credit, cwnd],

('credit' is an amount of data which the transmission control protocol receiving side can receive, 'cwnd' is a congestion window, cwnd = transmission control protocol throughput * estimated RTT * safety factor),

'estimated RTT' is an estimated round trip time of the packet,

'safety_factor(s)' is a numerical value compensating for variations in network states and RTT,

TCP throughput = last_ER *
$$\frac{48}{53}$$
 * $\frac{31}{32}$ * $\frac{TCP_MSS}{TCP_MSS + 56bytes}$

'last_ER' is an ER value in the currently-received RM cell, and 'TCP MSS' is a maximum segment size of the transmission control protocol level.

- 4. (herein amended) A method for controlling a transmission control protocol window size in an asynchronous transfer mode network, comprising:
 - a step for an ATM transmitting terminal to receive a resource management cell;
- a step for transmitting an explicit rate value in the received resource management cell to a transmission control protocol level in the ATM transmitting terminal;
- a step for setting a congestion window <u>size</u> to <u>be '1'</u>, <u>an initial value</u>, when the explicit rate value is received;
- a step for computing the congestion window <u>size</u>, when an acknowledgment signal is received from an ATM receiving terminal; and
- a step for computing a window size, when the congestion window value size is computed, and for transmitting a data to the ATM receiving terminal according to the computed window size.
- 5. (herein amended) The method according to claim 4, wherein the congestion window size is computed by the Expression wherein,
- congestion window <u>size</u> = transmission control protocol throughput * estimated_RTT * safety factor
- ('estimated_RTT' is an estimated round trip time of the packet, and 'safety_factor(s)' is a numerical value compensating for variations in network states and RTT).
- 6. (original) The method according to claim 5, wherein the transmission control protocol throughput is computed by the Expression wherein,

TCP throughput = last_ER *
$$\frac{48}{53}$$
 * $\frac{31}{32}$ * $\frac{TCP_MSS}{TCP_MSS + 56bytes}$

('last_ER' is an ER value in the currently-received RM cell, and 'TCP_MSS' is a maximum segment size of the transmission control protocol level).

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7. (original) The method according to claim 4, wherein the window size is computed by the Expression wherein,

window size = MIN [credit, cwnd],

('credit' is an amount of data which the transmission control protocol receiving side can receive, and 'cwnd' is a congestion window).

8. (new) The method of according to claim 4, wherein the initial value is '1'.